

## Alfred University Librarians Meeting

2016-01-20, 10:00am

Herrick Seminar Room

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**Attending:** Stephen Crandall, John Hosford, Eva Sclippa, Mark Smith, Brian Sullivan, Trevor Riley, Ellen Bahr, Laurie McFadden

Guests: NA

**Excused:** NA

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- I. Reports from the Faculty Senate & Deans Council  
Steve has emailed the proposed submission [of what document?] for review at the deans' council.  
Faculty Senate discussed the Campus Pride Index and overall AU's score was good compared to our peers. There was discussion about our size and how we will never be able to meet certain full-time positions. Online course development also was discussed and ITS's pitch for more structure was met with some resistance from the faculty. There was also a motion for a budget report presentation which will be happening soon.
- II. Promotional Video for AU libraries  
There was discussion about the videos being created by an alumni who is working with the Admissions Office. Earl Pierce asked Steve if the libraries were interested in having one. Eva suggested she was interested depending on what was involved. The librarians agreed that it would be good to see a sample of videos and better understand where they will be shown and what they will be used for.
- III. Submission for the BoT meetings  
Steve should be sending out a draft by the end of the week for the librarians to review.
- IV. Program Review Committee  
The committee members discussed their progress And noted they were looking at Jamestown Community College's sample and working to develop a structure for our own review. The question of recording our own process was brought up. This could be a way to document what steps we take and what challenges we face in the development of the review.
- V. Campus wide room reservations  
There is discussion of a possible campus wide system, no meetings have been held yet and we are not sure if this potential system would meet our needs.
- VI. Uploading librarians meeting minutes in AURA

Meeting minutes, once approved can be sent to Natalie for AURA. Mark Smith also said he would look to see what Scholes minutes might be missing from AURA.

- VII. Update on adding the new strategic initiative to our strategic plan  
Steve and Mark have this on their to-do list
- VIII. Suggestions for assessment report  
Most suggestions have been received; Brian had a few last ones that he will be sending to Steve.

IX. Other

One of the Scholes candidate's interview brought up the topic of transgender, LGBTQ, and general diversity issues in the libraries including language, facilities, etc. After discussion it was determined that half of the August all-staff retreat should be dedicated to diversity in general. Bob Amico was suggested as a possible leader for this discussion.

It was also decided that it would be good to have another half-day retreat on the topic of transgender individuals and how the libraries can be sensitive to their needs (pronouns, etc.).

The NASAD accreditation report is showing just how far we have come since 2007 and Mark believes we should take some time to appreciate all the work we have accomplished in the libraries. We are always busy with planning the next project, but we should take time to applaud our work too.

NYSCC – Scholes has a Startup NY office on the third floor now. Mark discussed that the office will only be available during library hours and that they will not have keys to the building nor will their presence cost the library anything from its budget.

Laser tag in the library was discussed. The club that wanted to host it was told no by Scholes. Steve said the club was most likely going to hold it in one of the engineering buildings.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trevor Riley, Meeting Secretary